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The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 23rd December, 1971, and is hereby published for general information:—

THE PREVENTION OF INSULTS TO NATIONAL HONOUR ACT, 1971

No. 69 OF 1971

[23*rd December*, 1971]

An Act to Prevent Insults to National Honour.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Twenty-second Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

Short title and extent.

1. (*1*) This Act may be called the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971.

(*2*) It extends to the whole of India.

Insult to Indian National Flag and Constitution of India.

2. Whoever in any public place or in any other place within public view burns, mutilates, defaces, defiles, disfigures, destroys, tramples upon or otherwise brings into contempt (whether by words, either spoken or written, or by acts) the Indian National Flag or the Constitution of India or any part thereof, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both.

Explanation 1.—Comments expressing disapprobation or criticism of the Constitution or of the Indian National Flag or of any measures of the Government with a view to obtain an amendment of the Constitution of India or an alteration of the Indian National Flag by lawful means do not constitute an offence under this section.

Explanation 2.—The expression "Indian National Flag" includes any picture, painting, drawing or photograph, or other visible representation of the Indian National Flag, or of any part or parts thereof, made of any substance or represented on any substance.

Explanation 3.—The expression "public place" means any place intended for use by, or accessible to, the public and includes any public conveyance.

Prevention of singing of Indian National Anthem, etc.

3. Whoever intentionally prevents the singing of the Indian National Anthem or causes disturbance to any assembly engaged in such singing shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both.

N. D. P. NAMBOODIRIPAD,
Joint Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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